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Press Releases

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PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, May 02, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Steven Wayne Lundgren, 29, of Waterloo. Lundgren was arrested on two active arrest warrants out of Buchanan County for original charges of Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor) and Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance. The Oelwein Police Department assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, May 02, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Tanya Ann Emery, 40, of Hazleton. Emery was arrested and charged with Possession of Controlled Substance – Methamphetamine (serious misdemeanor), Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (simple misdemeanor) and Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor). Emery was also issued citations for Operation without Registration and Failure to Carry Insurance. This arrest was made following a traffic stop in the 300 blk W Hayes Street in Hazleton.

PRESS RELEASE

On Tuesday, May 03, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Gwendolyn Francine Fountain, 37, of Dubuque. Fountain was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Probation Violation. The Dubuque County Sheriff's Office assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

On Tuesday, May 03, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Kevin Andrew Greene, 40, of Hazleton. Greene was arrested and charged with third degree Harassment (simple misdemeanor) and Disorderly Conduct (simple misdemeanor). This arrest was made following an incident in the 100 blk First Street N in Hazleton.

PRESS RELEASE

On Wednesday, May 04, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Joshua Allen Chamberlain, 30, of Aurora. Chamberlain was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Parole Violation. Chamberlain was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Thursday, May 05, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Colione Deshamion Fisher, 29, of Waterloo. Fisher was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor). This arrest was made following a traffic stop in the 1200 blk Carter Avenue south of Fairbank.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, May 06, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Jaime Matthew Kujawa, 34, of Waterloo. Kujawa was arrested and charged with second offense Operating While Intoxicated (aggravated misdemeanor). Kujawa was also cited for Unsafe Backing on Highway and Failure to Carry Insurance. This arrest was made following a report of a driving complaint in the 2500 blk Racine

Avenue south of Winthrop.

PRESS RELEASE

On Tuesday, May 10, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Charles Edwin Wilson, 54, of Center Point. Wilson was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear. The Linn County Sheriff's Office assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

On Wednesday, May 11, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Bruce Wayne Krum, 46, of Oelwein. Krum was arrested and charged with Driving While License Barred (aggravated misdemeanor), Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor) and Failure to File SR22 Insurance as Required (simple misdemeanor). Krum was also cited for Failure to Yield to Emergency Vehicle and Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance. This arrest was made following a traffic stop near 9th Street and South Street in Jesup.

PRESS RELEASE

On Thursday, May 12, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Bradley William Ritter, 29, of Cedar Rapids. Ritter was arrested on two active arrest warrants out of Buchanan County for original charges of second offense Failure to Register with Sex Offender Registry (class D felony) and Providing False Registration Information to Sex Offender Registry (aggravated misdemeanor). The Linn County Sheriff's Office assisted in this arrest.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, May 13, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Everado Hernandez-Piceno, 24, of Independence. Hernandez-Piceno was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear. Hernandez-Piceno was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, May 13, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Jacob Howard Straw, 34, of Hazleton. Straw was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Violation of Parole. This arrest was made in the 100 blk W Madison Street in Winthrop.

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, May 14, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Carl Ralph Erickson, 39, of Postville. Erickson was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor). Erickson was also arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Fayette County. This arrest was made in the 100 blk First Street East in Independence.

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, May 14, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Shaunte Decwon Hart, 35, of Waterloo and Melissa Dawn Naber, 37, of Cedar Falls. Hart and Naber were both arrested on active arrest warrants out of Buchanan County for original charges of Theft and Trespass. These arrests were made in the 800 blk South Street in Jesup.

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, May 14, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Timothy Joseph Hogan, 20, of Oelwein. Hogan was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for an original charge of fifth degree Theft (simple misdemeanor). This arrest was made near the intersection of West Pine Street and North Water Street in Quasqueton.

PRESS RELEASE

On Sunday, May 15, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Tyler John Kelly, 19, of Mechanicsville. Kelly was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor). Kelly was also issued citations for Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance and Failure to

Display Registration Plates. This arrest was made following a traffic stop in the 200 blk 3rd Avenue SE in Independence.

PRESS RELEASE

On Sunday, May 15, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Wilbur Wayne Mast, 20, of Hazleton. Mast was arrested and charged with Interference with Official Acts (simple misdemeanor). Mast was also cited for Possession of Alcohol Under Legal Age. This arrest was made near 168th Street and Grant Avenue.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, May 16, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Jeffrey Loren Lickiss, 39, of Aurora. Lickiss was arrested and charged with Domestic Abuse Assault causing Injury (serious misdemeanor). This arrest was made following an incident that occurred in the 10 blk Union Street in Aurora.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, May 16, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Jamie Lyle Port, 34, of Central City. Port was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear. Port was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, May 16, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Nicholas Jean Eickhoff, 18, of Oelwein. Eickhoff was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for original charges of third degree Theft (aggravated misdemeanor) filed by the Independence Police Department. Eickhoff was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, May 16, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Dean Allen Else, 49, of Waterloo. Else was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor). Else was also cited for Speed Violation and Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance. This arrest was made following a traffic stop in the 1900 blk Baxter Avenue north of Jesup.

PRESS RELEASE

On Tuesday, May 17, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Christopher Allen Peak, 25, of Waterloo. Peak was arrested on active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Probation Violation. Peak was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Thursday, May 19, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested David Larry Uchytil, 55, of Jesup. Uchytil was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear. Uchytil was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Thursday, May 19, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Jennefer Ann Westendorf, 39, of Oelwein. Westendorf was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Probation Violation. Westendorf was transported to and held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Thursday, May 19, 2016 at approximately 12:45 pm, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a report of a motor vehicle accident in the 2500 blk Racine Avenue south of Winthrop. According to the investigation, a 1960 Farmall tractor operated by Anthony Bockenstedt of Masonville was traveling south on Racine Avenue. A 2010 Ford Focus operated by Desiree McMurrin of Hazleton was also traveling south on Racine Avenue when she struck the rear of the tractor. McMurrin was transported to Buchanan County Health Center in Independence with minor injuries. Bockenstedt was

uninjured in the accident. McMurrin was issued a citation for Failure to Stop in Assured Clear Distance. The Buchanan County Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by the Winthrop Fire Department, Quasqueton Fire Department and Area Ambulance Service.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, May 20, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Rodney Dean Cornwell, 52, and Candice Renee Cornwell, 44, both of Lamont. Both were arrested and charged with Violation of No-Contact Order. These arrests were made in the 600 blk Concord Street in Lamont.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, May 20, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Toby Patrick Hutchison, 33, of Waterloo. Hutchison was arrested and charged with Driving While License Barred (aggravated misdemeanor) and Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor). This arrest was made following a traffic stop in the 1200 blk Jackson Avenue (Hwy 150) south of Hazleton.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, May 20, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Rush Robert Cleveland 31, of Cedar Rapids. Cleveland was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Probation Violation. Cleveland was transported to and held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, May 20, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Cora Lee Tucker, 35, of Brandon. Tucker was arrested and charged with Dependent Adult Abuse (class D felony). This arrest was made following an investigation into an incident in the 200 blk Water Street in Brandon.

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, May 21, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Austin Michael Manson McDowell, 25, of Cedar Rapids. McDowell was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor), Possession of Controlled Substance with Intent to Deliver – Marijuana (class D felony) and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (simple misdemeanor). McDowell was also cited for Unlawful Possession of Driver License, Operation without Registration, Violation of Title Transfer and Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance. This arrest was made following a traffic stop in the 100 blk 5th Avenue NE in Independence.

PRESS RELEASE

On Sunday, May 22, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Craig Thomas Passick, 51, of Independence. Passick was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor) and Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (simple misdemeanor). This arrest was made following a report of an occupied vehicle parked in the middle of the road in the 1500 blk Nathan Bethel Avenue northeast of Independence.

PRESS RELEASE

On Sunday, May 22, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Nathan Christopher Etgeton, 30, of Independence. Etgeton was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Cole County, MO, for Failure to Appear on original charges of Child Neglect. This arrest was made following a traffic stop near 190th Street and Frost Avenue northwest of Independence. Etgeton was transported to and held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office pending extradition of Cole County, MO.

PRESS RELEASE - FATAL ACCIDENT

On Monday, May 23, 2016 at approximately 1:10 pm, the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office received multiple 911 reports of a motor vehicle accident at the intersection of Dugan Avenue and 240th Street southeast of Jesup. According to the investigation, Donald Toale, 60, of Independence was operating a 2007 Dodge Caravan eastbound on 240th Street. Darlene Mitchell, 58, of Oelwein was operating a 1997 Jeep Wrangler northbound on Dugan Avenue. Toale failed to stop at a stop sign

and drove into the path of the Mitchell vehicle. The Mitchell vehicle struck the Toale vehicle on the passenger side. Both vehicles came to rest in the northeast ditch. Toale was pronounced dead at the scene. Mitchell was transported to an area hospital with life-threatening injuries. The Buchanan County Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by the Iowa State Patrol, Jesup Fire Department, Independence Fire Department and Jesup Ambulance Service.

PRESS RELEASE Monday, May 23, 2016

Buchanan County Sheriff's Office K9 Koda to get body armor

Buchanan County Sheriff's Office K9 Koda will receive a bullet and stab protective vest thanks to a charitable donation from non-profit organization Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. K9 Koda's vest will be embroidered with the sentiment "In memory of K9 Rocco, Pittsburgh Bureau of Police". Delivery is expected within eight to ten weeks.

Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. is a 501c (3) charity located in East Taunton, MA whose mission is to provide bullet and stab protective vests and other assistance to dogs of law enforcement and related agencies throughout the United States. The non-profit was established in 2009 to assist law enforcement agencies with this potentially lifesaving body armor for their four-legged K9 officers. Since its inception, Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. provided over 1,900 protective vests, in 49 states, through private and corporate donations, at a cost of over 1.6 million dollars. All vests are custom made in the USA by Armor Express in Central Lake, MI.

The program is open to dogs actively employed in the U.S. with law enforcement or related agencies who are certified and at least 20 months of age. New K9 graduates, as well as K9s with expired vests, are eligible to participate.

The donation to provide one protective vest for a law enforcement K9 is \$1,050.00. Each vest has a value between \$1,795 – \$2,234 and a five-year warranty, and an average weight of 4-5 lbs. There are an estimated 30,000 law enforcement K9s throughout the United States. For more information or to learn about volunteer opportunities, please call 508-824-6978. Vested Interest in K9s, Inc. provides information, lists events, and accepts tax-deductible donations of any denomination at www.vik9s.org or mailed to P.O. Box 9 East Taunton, MA 02718.

The Buchanan County Sheriff's Office's last patrol dog was K9 Drigon, who retired from service in 2005. In 2015, after 10 years without a patrol K9, Sheriff Bill Wolfgram announced that he would be reinstating the Sheriff's Office's K9 program. Subsequently, Deputy Ben Ward and K9 Deputy Koda began normal patrol duties just prior to January 2016.

K9 Deputy Koda is a two-year-old male Belgian Malinois from Slovakia. Deputy Ward and K9 Deputy Koda were paired as a team in November 2015 while Deputy Ward attended K9 handler training at Vohne Liche Kennels in Denver, Indiana. Following the six week training course, Koda received training and is certified in narcotics detection, persons tracking and handler protection.

Sheriff Wolfgram, Deputy Ward and the rest of the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office sincerely thank everyone who donated or otherwise contributed to the K9 fundraisers that were held over the last few years. The K9 Unit is an essential tool for day-to-day operations and we are pleased to have this program once again.

The Sheriff's Office is also very grateful for organizations such as Vested Interest in K9s, Inc., and their commitment to providing such important safety equipment for K9s throughout the United States.

PRESS RELEASE

On Tuesday, May 24, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Jade Lynn Ann Nuehring,

33, of Oelwein. Nuehring was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor). Nuehring was also cited for Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance and Operation without Registration. This arrest was made following a traffic stop in the 1200 blk Fontana Blvd south of Hazleton.

PRESS RELEASE

On Wednesday, May 25, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Terrance David Rooney, Jr., 43, of Independence. Rooney was arrested and charged with Assault (simple misdemeanor). This arrest stems from an investigation into an incident that occurred on the Mental Health Institute Campus in the 2200 blk lowa Avenue south of Independence.

PRESS RELEASE

On Wednesday, May 25, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Kimberly Nicole Battle, 23, of Independence. Battle was arrested and charged with Assault Causing Bodily Injury (serious misdemeanor). This arrest stems from an investigation into an incident that occurred on the Mental Health Institute Campus in the 2200 blk Iowa Avenue south of Independence.

PRESS RELEASE

On Thursday, May 26, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Christopher Anthony Andorf, 28, of Hazleton. Andorf was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear. Andorf was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS REELASE

On Thursday, May 26, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Derrick Deontae Fulton, 26, of Hazleton. Fulton was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear. Fulton was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS REELASE

On Thursday, May 26, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Nicole Valene Long, 36, Jonathan James Petersen, 19 and Kelley Yevette Hawkins, 36, all of Quasqueton. Long was arrested and charged with first offense Operating While Intoxicated (serious misdemeanor). Long was also cited for Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device and Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance. Petersen and Hawkins was both arrested and charged with Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (simple misdemeanor). This arrest was made following a traffic stop in the 2100 blk Three Elms Park Rd south of Independence.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, May 27, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Myquawn Deon Bailey, 40, of Waterloo. Bailey was arrested on an active arrest warrant out of Buchanan County for Failure to Appear. Bailey was held at the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office.

PRESS RELEASE

On Friday, May 27, 2016 at approximately 6:00 pm, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a report of a motor vehicle accident at the intersection of Racine Avenue and 250th Street south of Winthrop. According to the investigation, a 2005 Chevrolet Monte Carlo operated by Alex Callahan of Elgin was traveling north on Racine Avenue while a 2005 Chevrolet Impala operated by Chance Cook of Independence was traveling east on 250th Street. Cook failed to yield and pulled into the path of the Callahan vehicle. Both vehicles collided in the intersection and came to rest in the southeast ditch. The incident remains under investigation.

PRESS RELEASE

On Saturday, May 28, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Patrick Ryan Lindquist, 36, of Dunkerton. Lindquist was arrested and charged with Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (simple

misdemeanor). This arrest was made following a traffic stop near Dugan Avenue and LaPorte Road northwest of Brandon.

PRESS RELEASE

On Sunday, May 29, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Luis Alberto Gonzalez-Esparza, 43, of Cascade. Gonzalez-Esparza was arrested and charged with Failure to Have Valid Driver License (simple misdemeanor). Gonzalez-Esparza was also cited for Operation without Registration and Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance. This arrest was made following a traffic stop in the 1200 blk Jackson Avenue south of Hazleton.

PRESS RELEASE

On Monday, May 30, 2016, the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office received an anonymous report of an underage party in the area of 130th Street between Grant Avenue and Henley Avenue. Following an investigation, the following individuals were arrested and charged:

Ben Erwin Gingerich, 18, of Hazleton was arrested and charged with Interference with Official Acts (simple misdemeanor) and Possession of Alcohol Under Legal Age (simple misdemeanor).

Laura W Detweiler, 19, of Hazleton was arrested and charged with Trespass (two counts, simple misdemeanor), Interference with Official Acts (simple misdemeanor) and Possession of alcohol Under Legal Age (simple misdemeanor). Detweiler was also cited for Putting Debris of Roadway.

Erwin H Raber, 18, of Fairbank was arrested and charged with Trespass (two counts, simple misdemeanor), Interference with Official Acts (simple misdemeanor) and Possession of alcohol Under Legal Age (simple misdemeanor). Raber was also cited for Putting Debris of Roadway.

Norman Nisley, 18, of Fairbank was arrested and charged with Trespass (two counts, simple misdemeanor), Interference with Official Acts (simple misdemeanor) and Possession of alcohol Under Legal Age (simple misdemeanor). Nisley was also cited for Putting Debris of Roadway.

Jonas Simon Gingerich, 18, of Hazleton was arrested and charged with Interference with Official Acts (simple misdemeanor) and Possession of alcohol Under Legal Age (simple misdemeanor). Nisley was also cited for Putting Debris of Roadway and Registration Violation.

The Buchanan County Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Iowa Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement in these arrests.

PRESS RELEASE

On Tuesday, May 31, 2016, Buchanan County Sheriff's Deputies arrested Casey Robert Crawford, 22, of Jesup. Crawford was arrested and charged with Driving While License Suspended (simple misdemeanor). Crawford was also cited for Failure to Obey Stop Sign, Failure to Yield to Emergency Vehicle and a Speed Violation. This arrest was made following an incident in the 1100 blk 210th northeast of Jesup.